

Meeting Summary of the SANBAG Board of Directors

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■ TCIF Prop 1B Nominations

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) adopted Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) guidelines in November 2007. The guidelines identified the CTC's policy and expectations for the TCIF program.

SANBAG collaborated with the Southern California Consensus Group to propose numerous project nominations totalling \$2.2 billion pursuant to the TCIF guidelines to obtain funding from Prop 1B.

SANBAG nominated the following priority projects for funding:

- Priority 1: I-15 widening and the Devore I-15/I-215 Interchange, \$100 million
- Priority 2: I-10 Corridor Logistics Access Project with interchange improvements to mitigate freight congestion to truck terminals and warehouses, \$62 million
- Priority 3: Alameda Corridor East Grade Separation Package proposal to construct eight San Bernardino County rail/highway grade separations, \$86 million
- Priority 4: High Desert Corridor Phase 1a, Intermodal Gateway, for transporting freight containers, \$150 million

The consensus group TCIF proposal was submitted to the CTC on January 18.

■ Public Transit— Human Services Transportation

The final report of the Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan for San Bernardino County was approved by the SANBAG Board of Directors. An extensive outreach effort was conducted to identify the needs for public transportation. The plan identified six categories of strategies and priorities:

1. Intercity service to San Bernardino Valley medical and social service agency destinations
2. Mobility or travel training
3. Local circulation for senior and disabled populations
4. Filling in gaps for work trips for low income individuals
5. Information and referral services
6. Institutional capacity building, including the designation of a Consolidated Transportation Service Agency

The report further identifies the degree to which the strategies provide direct impact on improving access to human necessities for seniors, disabled and low income individuals. It categorized the strategies based on critical, very high, high and medium priorities and indicated how to begin implementation. SANBAG and the transit agencies will now identify funding sources to be used, including health and human services revenue, to address the gaps in service.

Redlands Rail Study and Environmental Contract Approved

The SANBAG Board of Directors awarded a contract to prepare the San Bernardino to Redlands Corridor Regionally Significant Transportation Investment Study and Environmental Analysis. This study will analyze the proposal to extend the Transit/Commuter Rail Service Line out to Redlands, commonly referred to as the Redlands Rail Extension.

SANBAG Safety Tip . . .

During these winter months, remind friends and family to drive carefully during rain and snow storms, especially on roads located at higher elevations where surfaces become slippery.

There are currently many detours near our construction sites, particularly along the I-215 widening project, I-10 finishing work, Live Oak Canyon Interchange, State/University Grade Separation project and others.



Down the road ...

- February 6: SANBAG Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- February 13: Administrative Committee, 9 am
- February 14: Major Projects Committee, 9 a.m.
- Feb. 15: Mountain-Desert Committee, 9 a.m.
- Feb. 20: Plans & Programs Committee, 1 p.m.
- Feb. 21: Commuter Rail Field Trip to Escondido
- Feb. 21: I-10 HOV (Carpool Lanes) Community Meeting, Redlands City Hall, 5:30-7:30 pm
- Feb. 26: I-10 HOV Community Meeting, Fontana Truman Elementary School, 5:30-7:30 pm

Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan presented to board and the public

After two years of analyzing the rising tide of freight moving from the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles through the region and the resulting mobility and environmental issues that pose a threat to the region's quality of life and economy, transportation agencies from six Southern California counties have completed a draft action plan. The counties of San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura, and San Diego collaborated to prepare the draft "Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan" (MCGMAP).

The action plan was presented to the SANBAG Board of Directors at their January 9 meeting. Display boards with maps and information were exhibited in the Sante Fe Depot lobby prior to the meeting. SANBAG also sponsored a public workshop at 4:00 p.m. that afternoon in the Depot lobby. Approximately 40 people attended.

The MCGMAP is a consensus strategy and implementation plan that evaluates freight movement systems and transportation constraints, free-way congestion, infrastructure needs, air quality concerns, localized impacts of freight facilities, and possible private and public-sector roles and funding strategies. All six counties have been impacted by the increased number of trucks, trains and distribution centers involved. The plan lays a foundation for the projects that were nominated by San Bernardino and other Southern California counties for receipt of Trade Corridors Improvement Funds out of Proposition 1B.

More information about the action plan can be viewed by the public at the Southern California Associated Governments' website:

www.scag.ca.gov/goodsmove



(above top) Exhibits were displayed in the lobby prior to the board meeting; (above middle) Sam Morrissey gave the presentation; (above and left) approximately 40 people attended the 4 p.m. public workshop.